

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1006 – HB 848

April 10, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the governor to activate members of the Tennessee State Guard (TSG), assuming any such member's consent, for any official duty in connection with State Guard activities, which may include voluntary unpaid assistance to local authorities during times of disaster or crisis.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Other Fiscal Impact – Any potential impact is based on various unknown factors, including whether members of the Tennessee State Guard would be activated and if activated, would such members receive compensation. It is estimated that if a disaster were to occur and compensation were awarded to members of the Tennessee State Guard, such activation would result in an increase in state expenditures exceeding \$100,000.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (006788, 005062): Requires any city or county, which receives authorized assistance from the TSG is required to reimburse the Military Department for the amount of travel expenditures claimed by the TSG members. Amendment 6788 removes a reference to compensation, as such could be provided to the TSG members in the event of such a disaster or crisis.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Other Fiscal Impact – Any travel expenditures reimbursements claimed by Tennessee State Guard will result in an increase in local expenditures and subsequent increase in state revenue. Any such amount cannot be reasonably quantified, but is reasonably estimated to not exceed \$10,000.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The TSG is a volunteer organization, made up of approximately 300 volunteers.
- There has been no instance in which the TSG has been called into active duty in modern times.

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- Any travel reimbursements claimed by TSG, should TSG members be called to perform voluntary unpaid assistance, will result in an increase in local expenditures and subsequent increase in state revenue. Any such amount cannot be reasonably quantified, but is reasonably estimated to not exceed \$10,000.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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